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Official Actions. Further enclosed are copies of documents cited in these Official

Actions, and English abstracts of these cited documents. Still further enclosed is a

Form PTO/SB/08A, listing the enclosed documents.

Please note that of the documents cited in the enclosed Official Actions, only the following Japanese patent documents are enclosed:

- 1. No. 2002-348442;
- 2. No. 07-273251; and
- 3. No. 05-175262.

All of the other documents cited in the enclosed Official Actions have previously been submitted in the above-identified application, with the Information Disclosure

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Statement submitted October 7, 2005, upon originally filing the above-identified application.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted prior to a first Office Action on the merits in the above-identified application. Accordingly, requirements of 37 CFR 1.97(b) are satisfied.

In any event, the following Statement is made under 37 CFR 1.97(e):

Each item of information contained (being submitted) in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

To the extent that the enclosed documents are not in English, it is respectfully submitted that requirements of 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) are satisfied by the enclosed English translations of the respective submitted Official Actions, and/or by the enclosed English abstracts submitted with the cited Japanese patent documents.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all applicable requirements of 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 have been satisfied, in connection with each of the documents listed on the enclosed Form. Accordingly, consideration of the listed documents, upon examination of the above-identified application, is respectfully requested.

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